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SUBJECT: REUTERS REPORT, AUGUST 26

1. REUTERS REPORT FOLLOWS:
2. "LUSAKA, AUG. 26, REUTER -- ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KENNETH KAUNDA, IN A VEHEMENT ATTACK ON WESTERN POWERS, SAID TODAY EFFORTS TO FIND PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA HAD FAILED, AND THAT 'NOW WE FIGHT.'
3. "IN AN EMOTIONAL SPEECH DURING WHICH HE DABBED AWAY TEARS WITH A HANDKERCHIEF, PRESIDENT KAUNDA ACCUSED WESTERN POWERS OF UNPRINCIPLED DOUBLE-DEALING IN THE REGION BEREFT OF CHRISTIAN MOTIVES.
4. "HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON HIS PLEDGE TO FIGHT. BUT OBSERVERS SAID HIS WARLIKE REMARKS REPRESENTED A FURTHER HARDENING OF ZAMBIA'S COMMITMENT TO MILITARY SOLUTIONS BY LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.
5. "DR. KAUNDA WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE UNITED NATIONS INSTITUTE FOR NAMIBIA -- A SCHOOL TO TRAIN

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ADMINISTRATORS FOR NAMIBIA (SOUTHWEST AFRICA) WHEN IT

BECOMES INDEPENDENT OF SOUTH AFRICA.

6. "TODAY WAS THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOUTHWEST AFRICA PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION'S GUERRILLA WAR IN THIS VAST FORMER GERMAN COLONY, AND SWAPO PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA ACCOMPANIED DR. KAUNDA ON THE SPEAKERS' ROSTRUM.

7. "THE INSTITUTE HAS BEEN BUILT WITH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM U.N. MEMBERS, MOST OF THEM WESTERN POWERS.

8. "THE PRESIDENT TOLD WESTERN DIPLOMATS IN THE AUDIENCE: "I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THIS. YOU HELP BUILD AN INSTITUTE LIKE THIS AT THE U.N. BUT YOU SUPPORT SOUTH AFRICA. WHAT SORT OF PEOPLE ARE YOU? CHRISTIANS? NO.

9. "WESTERN POWERS, WHOM HE DID NOT NAME, WERE 'RUNNING WITH THE HARES AND HUNTING WITH THE HOUNDS,' IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

10. "HE WARNED THAT SWAPO, THE MAIN LIBERATION MOVEMENT IN NAMIBIA, WOULD WIN THE FIGHTING THERE.

11. " 'IF YOU CAN'T BE MOVED BY PRINCIPLES, GET MOVED BY THE FACT THAT SWAPO IS GOING TO TAKE OVER. TELL YOUR GOVERNMENTS TO GET MOVED BY FEAR THAT SWAPO WILL TAKE OVER AND YOU CAN'T STOP IT,' HE SAID.

12. "HIS ATTACK BROUGHT ROUSING CHEERS FROM AFRICAN DIPLOMATS.

13. "THE PRESIDENT WARNED WESTERN POWERS: 'WE IN ZAMBIA TAKE STRONG EXCEPTION TO DOUBLE-DEALING.'

14. "HE URGED COUNTRIES THAT MAINTAINED LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA TO 'DESIST FORTHWITH FROM THEIR POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, MILITARY, CULTURAL AND OTHER FORMS OF COLLABORATION WITH THAT REGIME AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA.

15. "DR. KAUNDA SAID AFRICAN NATIONS EFFORTS TO BRING UNCLASSIFIED

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PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS IN NAMIBIA, AND RHODESIA AND TO REMOVE APARTHEID IN SOUTH AFRICA HAD FAILED.

16. " 'NOW WE FIGHT,' HE DECLARED." KISSINGER

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